

## CONGRESS RUSHES STRIKE REMEDY

## Entrance of Greece In War Hourly Expected

MAY APPEAL  
TORANK AND  
FILE OF MEN

President Holds Firm Hand  
in Dealing With Great  
Rail Crisis.

## AVERT STRIKE IS PLEA

House Has Bill Ready and  
Legislation Will Be En-  
acted on Saturday.

Washington, Aug. 31.—Congress put all other affairs aside today and devoted itself to enacting President Wilson's legislative program to avert the railroad strike. But the president, overlooking the threatened public calamity, did not depend on congress alone and continued unceasingly his efforts to get the brotherhood heads to postpone their strike order.

Just before noon the president went to the capitol and conferring with the leaders, urged them on to the speed necessary to get the bills through the legislative machinery of the house and senate before Saturday night. Then, returning to the White house, he called for another appeal to delay their strike while congress by law provides what the railroads have refused.

Although the brotherhood leaders reiterated that only a "favorable settlement" could delay the strike, and that they were powerless to postpone it, one of them admitted he believed the rank and file of the men, in view of the efforts being made in congress, would vote to delay it if there was time for them to express their wishes.

Out of proposals to have congress pass a resolution asking the men to delay, and out of many other indications coming from the very inside of the situation, there came again the indefinable intimation that the strike could be prevented if congress by Saturday night has not actually enacted the president's program but has it on the way.

Back of it all, President Wilson was holding another card—a direct appeal to the rank and file of the railroad men to realize that congress is about to give them what they ask and to stay at their posts.

## House Has a Bill.

While the senate interstate commerce committee was hearing the railroad heads and the brotherhood leaders, the house managers got into action and agreed on a bill, introduced by Representative Anderson and approved by President Wilson, providing the eight-hour day, pro rata pay for overtime and a commission to investigate the new conditions. They planned to rush it through.

Meanwhile employers and men had a public hearing on the president's legislative program before the senate interstate commerce committee.

After the conference between the president and the brotherhood leaders, it was said at the White house that the employees "had given no assurances of any kind."

## Agree on Adamson Bill.

Later, formal announcement was made that the president and the senate and house leaders had agreed on the Adamson bill as a compromise bill. It makes violation of its provisions a misdemeanor, punishable by from \$100 to \$1,000 fine or not exceeding one year imprisonment, or both. It would make the eight-hour day effective Dec. 1.

In spite of the fact that the leaders gave no assurances, it is certain that the strike would be called off immediately if congress passed the eight-hour law which will be taken up in the house tomorrow.

President Wilson told the brotherhood leaders he was doing everything possible to have congress legislate to meet the situation and that it was their duty as American citizens to postpone or cancel the strike order pending its action. The president was said to have used some "strong language."

Tomorrow's cabinet meeting has been canceled to allow President Wilson to give his entire attention to efforts to avert the strike.

The eight-hour day bill, on which most congressional leaders agree, if enacted by Saturday night, will be sufficient justification in the opinion of brotherhood leaders for calling off the railroad strike set for next Monday.

This today was the main source of optimism that the industrial tieup would not occur.

"Enactment into law of the president's eight-hour day bill as now drawn, guaranteeing the present ten-hour day wage," said W. G. Lee, head of the trainmen's brotherhood, "will be regarded as a satisfactory settlement of our differences with the railroads and there will be no strike. In order to prevent a strike, however,

Villa Battle  
In the Hills;  
Many Killed

Chihuahua City, Mexico, Aug. 31.—Francisco Villa, commanding a band of between three and four hundred men, engaged government troops under General Elizondo in a sanguinary battle yesterday in the hills east of Satevov which lasted from daylight until darkness. The casualties on both sides were heavy, those of the bandits being estimated by General Elizondo, in a report to General Jacinto Trevino here today, at about 150 killed, wounded and captured. No estimate of the Carranza losses, were made.

TROOPS ON WAY  
FOR HOME BASE

Illinois National Guard Among Border Men Called East for Possible Need in Another Field.

Washington, Aug. 31.—Orders had been issued today for the first withdrawal of national guard troops from the Mexican border.

General Funston was under authorization of Secretary Baker to return 15,000 guardsmen, including three regiments from New York, two each from Illinois, Missouri and New Jersey, one each from California, Oregon, Washington and Louisiana and 6,000 regular coast artillerymen, who have been serving as infantry.

Similar withdrawal will be continued within a few days, the war department plans. It was explained that the recent dispatch of additional troops, which had not done border service was largely responsible for the return movement.

Some guardsmen at the border may be gotten under way by Saturday and others are expected to follow Sunday but a big proportion will not be able to entrain before the time the strike is set to take place, army men said.

San Antonio, Aug. 31.—Major General Funston today designated the First and Second Infantry as the Illinois guardsmen who would return north and it was thought probable they would be stationed near Chicago Headquarters, with General Jack Foster also will return to Illinois.

General Funston does not know what other state regiments will be designated for recall, as he has not yet heard from the divisional commanders, to whom was assigned the task of selecting the regiments.

The Illinois California Infantry is to return to its state mobilization camp from Nogales, Ariz.

URGING STANDARD  
FOR FOX-TROTTERS

Chicago, Aug. 31.—By standardizing the one-step, fox trot and waltz, the vulgarities can be eliminated from modern dancing according to members of the American Association of Dancing Masters who ended their sessions here today. The next session will be held in New York in August, 1917.

VERMONT GUARDS  
DEFER THEIR TRIP

Montpelier, Vt., Aug. 31.—Vermont national guardsmen who left Burlington yesterday under orders from the war department to proceed to Eagle Pass, Texas, abandoned their trip because, according to officers, the railroads would not guarantee that the troops could reach the border before the time set for a strike on Monday. The troop train passed through here today on its return to Camp Gates.

## Latest Bulletins

Des Moines, Iowa, Aug. 31.—L. Harbach, one of the best known pioneers of Iowa, and prominent manufacturer, died at his home here today, following a stroke of paralysis Monday night.

Cairo, Ill., Aug. 31.—Trainmen on the Mobile and Ohio railroad declared that they would not strike. How extensive this feeling is among employees of the Mobile and Ohio has not been determined.

Berlin, Aug. 31. (By wireless to Sayville, N. Y.)—Subscriptions for the new German loan, the fifth war loan, already are coming in. The Agricultural Central Loan bank has subscribed 60,000,000 marks and the Elberfeld Savings bank 10,000,000 marks.

London, Aug. 31. (2:45 p. m.)—The Russian steamers Wellamo and Sten II, have been torpedoed in the Gulf of Bothnia, says a dispatch from Copenhagen to the Exchange Telegraph company.

Washington, Aug. 31.—One telegram read by Senator Phelan of California in the senate today said \$5,000,000 worth of fruit shipments had been refused by railroads and were decaying in California depots.

ROADS MAKE  
READY EVENT  
MEN STRIKE

Chicago Meeting of Railroad Heads Decides on Pool of Resources.

## PLAN TRAIN SERVICE

Embargoes Now in Force Regarding Freight and Passengers on All Lines.

Chicago, Aug. 31.—Presidents and operating officials of the railroads of the country went into conference today to formulate plans to operate trains in the event that the strike of the four brotherhoods of trainmen set for next Monday morning takes place.

Practically none of the railroad heads shared in the optimism expressed in some quarters in Washington yesterday, the strike is set to take place of the eight-hour bill by congress would avert a strike, and according to E. P. Ripley, president of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe, spokesmen for the party of railroad presidents, who returned from Washington yesterday, the railroads will proceed on the assumption that the strike will come on Labor day.

Embargoes begin today on every trunk line in the country. The embargoes, according to present plans, will become effective in the following order:

## Order of the Embargoes.

Effective at the close of business tomorrow, an embargo on all shipments of explosives and inflammables.

Effective at the close of business tomorrow, an embargo on all shipments of perishable freight, including live stock, dressed beef, live and dressed poultry, fresh fruits and vegetables.

Effective at the close of business Saturday, an embargo on all freight of all kinds from all points to all destinations.

Most of the roads also gave warning that passengers should end their journeys before 7 a. m. Monday or be subject to indefinite delay. Railroad officials plan to run at least one passenger train a day on every road and in each case, it is announced, preference will be given to milk trains.

## Strike Breakers On Job.

The railroads, according to tentative plans, will pool their resources. Strike breakers, it is understood, will be hired not by individual roads but by a central committee of all the roads and distributed where most vitally needed.

In an effort to discourage strike sentiment the roads have announced a system of punishments and rewards. Employees who go on strike will forfeit their seniority privileges. New men taken on during the strike will be given preference in promotion. Guarantees of protection have been given to employees who remain loyal.

Chicago detective agencies are advertising for strike breakers and report more than 1,000 ready for instant service.

The embargo on livestock will cause a shortage of fresh meats in various cities of the country within a few days, according to packers. Commission merchants who had freight shipments of perishable goods started enroute from the Pacific coast states before the embargo was announced, have been compelled to order the railroads to run the cars on express schedule.

## Great Northern Calls On State.

The Great Northern railroad has called on Governor Hanna of North Dakota to protect its property should a strike be called and the governor announced that he would issue precautionary instructions to the authorities.

Independent of the transportation strike, the railroads are facing a new labor problem in the threatened strike of 35,000 shopmen on 20 railroads west of Chicago. Unless their demands for an eight-hour day and five cents an hour wage increase are granted they announce they will take a strike vote on Sept. 8. The men involved are machinists, boiler makers, blacksmiths, sheet metal workers and car men.

Embargoes similar in purport to those announced by other roads were declared today by the Illinois Central and Chicago and Northwestern railroads. Notice was sent to country shippers this morning to withhold the shipment of grain to the Chicago grain receivers' association until the railroad situation becomes normal.

UNCLE SAM NEEDS  
MORE LIEUTENANTS

Washington, Aug. 31.—Because of the great need of second lieutenants in the army, due to the increase authorized by congress, the war department has ordered a second examination in each army department Oct. 16 next. The first examination will be held about Sept. 1.

Man Killed  
Was Former  
Noted Jockey

Chicago, Aug. 31.—Andrew Hopkins, who was killed when he fell or jumped from the ninth story of a hotel here last Monday, was identified today as "Matty McIntyre," under which name he was a noted jockey. Not long ago he was ruled from the track at Hot Springs and since has been living in Chicago.

SHOP MEN WILL  
NOT FORCE ISSUE

Impending Walkout of 35,000 Mechanics Said to Have Been Headed Off.

Chicago, Aug. 31.—A strike of 35,000 shop men employed on 19 railroads of the middle west will be averted, said W. J. Tollerton, chief of the mechanical department of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railroad today, following his conference with representatives of the Rock Island shop men, who demanded an eight-hour day and an increase of five cents an hour in wages.

The negotiations have not reached an acute stage, he said, as indicated by the fact that the shop men are negotiating with the individual railroads and not with all of them in a body as had been contemplated.

"We have made a compromise offer to our shop men, which practically amounts to granting half of their demands and we believe that after several more weeks of negotiations the controversy will be settled," Tollerton said. "Our conference adjourned with the shop men promising to give the compromise offer their sincere consideration."

MILITARY WILL  
OPERATE TRAINS

If Strike Comes Uncle Sam Will See That Troops Do Not Suffer For Supplies.

El Paso, Texas, Aug. 31.—Some eighty experienced railway men in the Pennsylvania national guard division encamped here have expressed their willingness to operate military trains if the strike is called.

It is understood that in the event of a strike the military authorities intend to run supply trains from the Gulf of Mexico to the Pacific coast so that the camps along the frontier will not suffer.

Tone of the comment in Mexican newspapers received here shows that the threatened strike is looked upon in Mexico as something of a revolution with the workmen arrayed against capitalists, as the peasants in Mexico were arrayed against the land owners in the Madero and Carranza uprisings.

ILLINOIS WOULD  
CLOSE FACTORIES

Over 600,000 Wage Earners Might Be Out of Work If Strike Is Called by Brotherhoods.

Chicago, Aug. 31.—Practically every factory in Illinois will be obliged to close down, throwing out of employment about 600,000 wage earners in the event of a national railroad strike, Samuel M. Hastings, president of the Illinois Manufacturers' association, said today.

"Illinois has become a great manufacturing state for three reasons," he said, "because of cheap power, the vast distribution system which the railroads have built up and the good facilities for bringing in raw materials cheaply."

"For every day that factories of Illinois are idle it means the stopping of manufacture of products valued at \$10,000,000," President Hastings said, "with a loss to wage earners of \$2,400,000."

PLEDGED MILLION  
FOR THE CHILDREN

Chicago, Aug. 31.—A permanent research laboratory to combat children's diseases with an endowment fund of \$1,000,000 was pledged at a meeting of physicians, educators and business men last night.

The movement grew out of the fight on infantile paralysis, but every ailment of childhood will be studied.

Mr. Hughes on His Way.  
Estes Park, Colo., Aug. 31.—Mr. Hughes resumed his campaign itinerary today, leaving here at 2 o'clock for Loveland, where he made an address, going to Denver this evening and thence east to Topeka, Kansas City and St. Louis.

SERBS DRIVE  
BULGAR Foe  
INTO DEFEAT

Estimate Bulgarians Have Lost 15,000 Men on the Macedonian Front.

## GREEKS FACE CRISIS

Close Formation of Bulgarian Attack Met Deadly Resistance at Lorovitz.

London, Aug. 31. (5:30 a. m.)—Fighting is very severe all along the Macedonian front, says an Athens dispatch to the wireless press, which adds that the Bulgarian regiments suffered a severe check at the hands of the Serbians on the entente left flank and that Bulgarian losses are estimated at 15,000.

The Bulgarian regiments, says the dispatch, attacked the Serbians in close formation, after the German style, near Lorovitz and suffered severely. They were compelled to ask for reinforcements from Valbanenki and Kastoria.

The Serbians appear to be masters of the situation at Gomichevo, says the Athens correspondent and Bulgarian officers of Rumanian origin who deserted, said the Bulgarians called Gomichevo "another Verdun."

## Greece Faces Real War.

Athens, Greece, (via London, Aug. 31. 1:33 p. m.)—Rapid developments in the diplomatic situation here today make it appear that within 48 hours Greece will have abandoned the policy of neutrality in the war.

King Constantine will receive the French minister today and the Rumanian and British ministers shortly afterwards.

All staff officers on leave have been recalled for active service.

## Von Mackensen In Balkans.

London, Aug. 31. (12:52 p. m.)—The wireless press quotes the Berne, Switzerland, Bund, and the Geneva Journal to the effect that Field Marshal von Mackensen, the German commander, will take charge of the campaign in the Balkans.

## Flight Story a Canard.

London, Aug. 31. (10:20 a. m.)—No confirmation of the reported flight of King Constantine from Athens to Larissa has been received in official circles here, which considers it highly improbable.

The report that the king of Greece had fled from the capital and taken refuge with a German escort of 300 Thians at Larissa was forwarded from Saloniki by Ward Price, the official British press representative in Greece, Tuesday evening. King Constantine, according to Athens dispatches, underwent a surgical operation a few days ago and has since been suffering from the effects of it.

## Russ Now In Rumania.

Bucharest, Tuesday, (via London, Aug. 31. 4:25 p. m.)—Official announcement was made here today that the passage of Russian troops through Rumania has begun.

King Ferdinand has issued the following order of the day, addressed to the army:

"I have called upon you who are stout hearted and full of hope. The spirit of the great Rumanian chiefs, Michael the Brave, and Stephen the Great, interred in the provinces you are about to deliver, exhort you to victories worthy of them and of our heroic and victorious allies.

"Terrific fighting awaits you but you will endure its rigors as did your ancestors. In future ages the entire race will bless and glorify you."

## Von Hindenburg Favors Chancellor.

London, Aug. 31. (4:58 p. m.)—It was officially announced today that the British casualties, killed, wounded and missing on all fighting fronts in August totaled 4,711 officers and 13,234 men.

The displacement of General von Falkenhayn, as German chief of staff and the appointment of Field Marshal von Hindenburg to that post are said by Reuter's correspondent at Berne to mark the end of long and bitter strife between these men. Field Marshal von Hindenburg, he says, is believed generally to favor the moderate policy of Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, while General von Falkenhayn is among the opponents of the chancellor.

## Teutons Driven Out Again.

Paris, Aug. 31.—(Noon).—German troops penetrated the French trenches in Parroy forest in Lorraine last night, but were immediately ejected, says today's war announcement.

## Rumanians In Bulgar Town.

Rumanian troops, according to a report received here, have occupied the Bulgarian town of Rustchuk.

Rustchuk has a population of about 35,000 and is situated on the Danube opposite the Rumanian town of Giurgevo.

Berlin Sends  
Report About  
Sub's Attack

Washington, Aug. 31.—Germany, in a note received at the state department today, practically disavows any unfriendly intention in the submarine attack on the American steamer Owego several weeks ago, and submits a statement of fact which is expected to close the case. The Owego was fired upon, but uninjured.

VATICAN'S DESIRE  
IS WORLD PEACE

Cardinal Discusses Possibility of French Relations With Holy See When War Is Over.

Paris, Aug. 31. (6:10 a. m.)—The Vatican is considering the action of Germany in compelling inhabitants of the north of France to work in the fields, according to a statement by Cardinal Gasparri, the papal secretary of state, says the Rome correspondent of the Journal. The cardinal declined, however, to discuss the status of this subject.

Questioned as to the possibility of the resumption of diplomatic relations between France and the Holy See, the cardinal said the Vatican would be delighted by such an event, but that all would depend upon whether the French government desired it.

With the reestablishing of peace, all the belligerents would have imperative need for rest which would for a number of years at least put an end to internal wars, said the cardinal. Religious peace, he declared, will not be complete in France without a resumption of diplomatic relations with the Holy See.

The cardinal referred to the desire of the pope for a peace which shall be just as durable without the oppression of any people and with regard to their aspirations. "Otherwise there would be no peace, or it would not be lasting," continued the cardinal.

PRINTING PAPER IS  
SCARCE ARTICLE

Fear That Small Daily and Weekly Newspapers May Have to Suspend Their Publication.

Washington, Aug. 31.—Because of the increasing shortage of news print paper, publishers of the smaller daily and weekly newspapers throughout the country fear they will have to suspend publication, says a letter addressed to each member of the News Print Manufacturers' association by the federal trade commission and made public today.

The letter says the suspension of these papers would be "a national calamity." The commission suggests that the association take steps to insure newspaper publishers not protected by contracts that they will continue to receive a supply; that steps be taken to restrain members or middlemen from charging unreasonable and prohibitive prices; that Sunday operation of paper mills and the transferring of machines operating on other grades of paper to the manufacture of news print paper be considered; and that officials of labor unions be approached regarding Sunday work.

GALESBURG DEATH  
FROM PARALYSIS

Galesburg, Ill., Aug. 31.—Frederick Delavan, eight years old, died today from what physicians suspect was infantile paralysis. The Delavan family had recently returned from a trip through the east.

## THE WAR TODAY

Rumanian troops have invaded Austria-Hungarian territory and are reported within three miles of Kronstadt, the chief commercial city of Transylvania.

In the Macedonian war theatre, violent fighting continues between the entente allies and Austro-Germans and Bulgarians. Paris claims the entente allies have made gains in the Lake Ostrovo region and that the Serbians have repulsed Bulgarian attacks.

Drama, in northwest Greece, has been seized by the Bulgarians after a fight with Greek troops. An unofficial dispatch from Athens says the remobilization of the Greek army is under consideration. On the western war front operations have been halted except for slight activity of the artillery at several points.

On the Russian front there have been no important changes reported, although in the Carpathian region the Russians have captured Panker mountain, on the Hungarian border, and the village of Rafalov.

Russians and Turks in Asia Minor both claim minor successes.

MOB SOUGHT  
SHERIFF FOR  
HANGING BEE

Lima, Ohio, Has Long Night of Violence Following Negro's Crime.

## ELKS' HOME INVADED

Police and Jail Force Powerless as Angry Citizens Batter Barred Doors

Lima, Ohio, Aug. 31.—After a night of violence resulting from the attempt of a mob to lynch Charles Daniels, negro, accused of assaulting Mrs. John Baber, wife of a prominent farmer, the spiriting away of the prisoner by Sheriff Sherman Eley and the torture of the sheriff until he consented to lead the mob in motors to Ottawa, where he had taken the man, the law apparently reigned again today.

Daniels, the prisoner, whose life was saved by the quick action of the sheriff, is in a safe place in Toledo, it is understood, and J. P. Laser, prosecutor of Allen county, is investigating the affair.

Governor Frank B. Willis, after a night spent in his office at Columbus, with Adjutant General B. W. Hough and in telephone communication with this city, was prepared to order the First and Seventh regiments of Ohio national guard from Camp Perry to this city in case the trouble is revived.

Following the capture of the negro by a posse yesterday, after Mrs. Baber had been attacked in her home, the mob spirit began to develop throughout the countryside. Eley expected trouble and quietly removed the prisoner to Ottawa. He was later transferred to another place. While the sheriff was out of the city the mob stormed the jail, forced the sheriff's wife to open the cells, overpowered the police and held the city at its mercy.

## Rope Around Sheriff's Neck.

Sheriff Eley returned last night and the mob demanded that he tell them where he had hidden Daniels. He refused and the angered crowd turned their wrath upon him. He escaped from his home at the jail as the mob battered down the doors and was captured at the Elk's home. A rope was torn from a street car trolley and a noose was placed around Eley's neck. He was told he would be hanged if he did not tell where his prisoner was and the mob kicked and beat him.

Chief of Police McKinney was helpless. Eley finally surrendered and the mob entered automobiles and started with the sheriff as a prisoner for Ottawa, just as the fire department was called out. The chemical trucks were run through the streets to disperse the mob on foot. When the motor mob reached Ottawa they found their prisoner gone, and during the confusion Sheriff Eley escaped into a hotel and evaded a second capture, though the mob searched for him. He is now under the care of a physician.

Allen county is aroused over the affair and factions are pitted against each other.

FAIRBANKS ACCEPTS;  
SHERMAN GIVES TALK

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 31.—Charles Warren Fairbanks was notified formally this afternoon that he had been nominated for the vice presidency by the republican party. United States Senator Lawrence Y. Sherman of Illinois delivered the address and Mr. Fairbanks made reply, accepting the nomination and discussing the issues of the campaign.

Republican leaders from different parts of the country attended the ceremonies which were held on the lawn at Mr. Fairbanks' home. Preceding the ceremonies, republican national chairman William R. Wilcox, A. T. Hert, manager of the republican western headquarters, and other leaders held a conference at the republican state headquarters.

## THE WEATHER

Forecast Till 7 P. M. Tomorrow, for Rock Island, Davenport, Moline and Vicinity

Showers this afternoon and tonight; Friday, probably fair with cooler. Highest temperature yesterday, 87; lowest last night, 68; at 7 a. m., 68. Velocity of wind, six miles an hour. Humidity at 7 p. m., 42; at 7 a. m., 75; at 1 o'clock today, 38. Stage of water, 3.2 feet with no change from yesterday. J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

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